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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
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Madam/Sir:

In response to the restriction requirements set forth in the Office Actions mailed July 23 and July 24, 2008, the Applicants hereby provisionally elect Group I, claims 1 and 3-11, drawn to methods of producing a coated preparation, classified in Class 427, subclass 220, for examination without traverse.

The Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

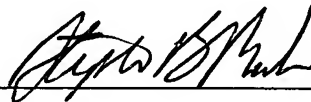
The Applicants respectfully request examination on the merits of this application. Should there be any questions concerning this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing or a credit card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card transaction, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, the Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extension fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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